

**NOTICE OF A CITIZENS' INFORMATIONAL WORKSHOP FOR THE
PROPOSED WIDENING OF DERITA ROAD (STATE ROAD 1445) IN CONCORD FROM
POPULAR TENT ROAD (S.R. 1394) TO CONCORD MILLS BOULEVARD (S.R. 2894)**

TIP Project No. U-4910

Cabarrus County

The city of Concord, in conjunction with the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), will hold a Citizens' Informational Workshop on **Tuesday, July 19, 2011 from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m.** The workshop will be held at the Concord Regional Airport Conference Room, 9000 Aviation Blvd., Concord.

The purpose of this workshop is for Concord and NCDOT representatives to provide information, answer questions and accept written comments regarding this proposed project. Maps presenting the proposed project area will be on display. However, detailed designs have not yet been prepared.

The workshop will provide the public an opportunity to participate in the planning process. Comments and information received from the public will be taken into consideration as work on this project progresses. Citizens may drop in anytime during the workshop hours to speak with project representatives. Please note: there will not be a formal presentation.

The proposed project (see attached location map) will widen about 2.6 miles of Derita Road (State Road 1445) between Concord Mills Boulevard (S.R. 2894) and Poplar Tent Road (S.R. 1394). Concord officials propose a best-fit alignment to widen this route, which means the road may be widened asymmetrically in some locations and symmetrically in others to minimize impacts to the natural and human environments.

The proposed project includes a four-lane divided road with a 23-foot wide median (30-foot wide where double left-turn lanes are needed). The posted speed limit would be 45 miles-per-hour. Landscaping, bicycle lanes, sidewalks, street lighting and potential bus stops will be considered during project development. Right-of-way acquisition is scheduled to begin in summer 2012, with construction scheduled to begin in summer 2013. However, the schedule is subject to change.

For more information on the project, please contact Concord Engineering Director Sue Hyde at 850 Warren C. Coleman Boulevard, P.O. Box 308, Concord, NC 28026, by phone at (704) 920-5401, by fax at (704) 786-4521 or via email at hydes@concordnc.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who want to participate in this workshop. Anyone requiring special services should contact Hyde as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.